

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-41 cancelled.

42. (Currently amended) An oil based homogenous liquid agricultural composition comprising

(a) at least one oil,

(b) a natural gum and

(c) a pesticide or a fertilizer ~~an agricultural adjuvant~~

with the proviso that there is no added water present in the composition and said oil is present in the composition in an amount greater than said water.

43. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 42, wherein said natural gum is a non-derivatized guar gum, cationic guar gum, non-cationic guar gum or mixtures thereof.

44. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 43, wherein said oil is mineral oil or paraffinic petroleum.

45. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 44, which further comprises an oil thickener which is silicon based.

46. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 43, which further comprises a pesticide.

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52. (Previously presented) A homogenous liquid composition comprising

a) at least one oil and

b) a natural gum is a non-derivatized guar gum, cationic guar gum, non-cationic guar gum or mixtures thereof and

with the proviso that there is less than 10% water present in the composition **and the liquid**

composition is combined with a pesticide or a fertilizer.

53. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 52, wherein said oil is mineral oil or paraffinic petroleum.

54. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 52, which further comprises an oil thickener which is silicon based.

55. (Currently amended) The composition as claimed in claim 52, which ~~further~~ comprises a pesticide.

56. (Previously presented) A homogenous liquid agricultural composition comprising

- a) at least one oil,
- b) a natural gum and
- (c) a pesticide or **a fertilizer** ~~an agricultural adjuvant~~,

with the proviso that there is less than 10% water present in the composition and said oil is an alkylated fatty acid ester, hydrocarbon oil, alkylated natural oil, fatty acid, polybutene or epoxified seed oil.

57. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 56 wherein said oil is methylated C6-19 fatty acids, methylated tall oil fatty acids, methylated oleic acid, methylated linoleic acid, methylated linolenic acid, methylated stearic acid, methylated palmitic acid, blends of the methylated acids, ethylated C6-19 fatty acids, ethylated tall oil fatty acids, ethylated oleic acid, ethylated linoleic acid, ethylated linolenic acid, ethylated stearic acid, ethylated palmitic acid, blends of the ethylated acid, butylated C6-19 fatty acids, butylated tall oil fatty acids, butylated oleic acid, butylated linoleic acid, butylated linolenic acid, butylated stearic acid, butylated palmitic acid, blends of the butylated acids, fatty acid, polybutene or hydrocarbon oil.

58. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 57, wherein said natural gum is a non-derivatized guar gum, cationic guar gum, non-cationic guar gum or mixtures thereof.

59. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 57, wherein said oil is mineral oil or paraffinic petroleum.
60. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 57, which further comprises an oil thickener which is silicon based.
61. (Previously presented) The composition as claimed in claim 57, which comprises a pesticide.
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66. (Currently amended) The composition as claimed in ~~claim 62~~ claim 56, which comprises a pesticide.
67. (Currently amended) The composition as claimed in claim 46, wherein said pesticide is a herbicide, an insecticide, a fungicide, a bactericide or a rodenticide.
68. (Currently amended) The composition as claimed in claim 55, wherein said pesticide is a herbicide, an insecticide, a fungicide, a bactericide or a rodenticide.
69. (Currently amended) The composition as claimed in claim 66, wherein said pesticide is a herbicide, an insecticide, a fungicide, a bactericide or a rodenticide.
70. (New) The composition as claimed in claim 46, wherein said fertilizer is a nitrogenous fertilizer.

71. (New) The composition as claimed in claim 46, wherein said fertilizer is a non-nitrogenous fertilizer containing a Potash source.

72. (New) The composition as claimed in claim 46, wherein said fertilizer is a non-nitrogenous fertilizer is selected from the group consisting of

Potassium phosphate (mono- or di-),

Potassium carbonate,

Potassium chloride,

Potassium sulfate,

Potassium salts of carboxylic acids, and

Potassium phosphate.

73. (New) The composition as claimed in claim 46, wherein said fertilizer is

Ammonium sulfate,

Ammonium bisulfate,

Ammonium salts of carboxylic acids,

Ammonium chloride,

Ammonium carbonate,

Ammonium phosphate,

Ammonium nitrate,

Ammonium thiosulfate,

Ammonium hydroxide,

Urea-Ammonia nitrate solutions,

Urea;

Urea phosphate;

Potassium nitrate and

Urea-formaldehyde polymers.

74. (New) A method of delivery the benefits of natural gum in liquid oil based compositions which comprises spraying a plant with the composition as claimed in claim 46.